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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the December 19, 2002 Election Requirement, applicants hereby elect
Species C, Figure 6, and submit that claims 1-4, 7, 8 and 10 read thereon, with claims 1-3, 7
and 10 being generic claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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